House File 184 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 184
BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 29)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to information required to be contained in
- 2 petitions for administration of small estates and including
- 3 applicability provisions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

H.F. 184

- 1 Section 1. Section 635.2, subsection 2, Code 2017, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 2. The name and address of the surviving spouse, and the
- 4 name and relationship of each beneficiary in a testate estate
- 5 or known heirs in an intestate estate.
- 6 Sec. 2. Section 635.2, Code 2017, is amended by adding the
- 7 following new subsection:
- 8 NEW SUBSECTION. 2A. The name and relationship of each heir
- 9 so far as known to the petitioner in an intestate estate.
- 10 Sec. 3. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to petitions filed
- ll on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 12 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 15 This bill relates to the information required to be
- 16 contained in petitions for administration of small estates.
- 17 Code chapter 635 provides for a simplified probate procedure
- 18 for small estates, which are estates where the gross value of
- 19 the decedent's probate assets does not exceed \$100,000. A
- 20 petition for administration of a small estate must contain
- 21 certain specified information, including the name and
- 22 relationship of each beneficiary in a testate estate. The bill
- 23 provides that the name and relationship of each beneficiary
- 24 in a testate estate does not need to be contained in such a
- 25 petition.
- 26 The bill applies to petitions filed on or after the effective
- 27 date of this bill.